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# Hearing Aid Compatibility Status Report (FCC Form 655)

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# **General Report Information**

# **Type of Company**

Service Provider

# **De Minimis Exception**

Did you offer any handsets to subscribers in the United States during the reporting period? Yes

Have you been offering handsets in the United States for at least three years prior to the end of the reporting period? Yes

Date that you began offering handsets in the United States

Are you a small entity? Yes

Were you a small entity at any time during the three years prior to the end of the reporting period?

Date that you ceased to be a small entity?

#### **Company Information**

Company Name: Hiawatha Broadband Communications Inc.

Brand Names: HBC Mobile

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#### **Filing Agent**

Is this report being filed by an agent on behalf of a manufacturer or service provider? No

## **Product Labeling**

Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets include labeling? Yes

Explain:

Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets that are capable of voice communication over any air interface or frequency

band that does not have hearing aid compatibility technical standards under ANSI C63.19-2007 include the required language disclosing that the handset has not been rated for hearing aid compatibility with respect to such operations? Yes

Explain:

Do all hearing aid-compatible handsets that the manufacturer also tested and found not to meet hearing aid compatibility requirements under ANSI C63.19-2011 for one or more operations that are not covered under ANSI C63.19-2007, include language informing users by clear and effective means that the handset does not meet the relevant rating or ratings with respect to such operation(s)?

N/A

Explain:

Do all handsets that are capable of use for Voice over LTE, and that were certified for inductive coupling capability under ANSI C63.19-2011 without being tested for inductive coupling capability over VoLTE, include language disclosing that they were not tested with respect to this operation?

N/A

Explain:

Do all handsets that meet the criteria for an M3 rating by allowing the user to reduce the maximum power for GSM operation in the 1900 MHz band include the required disclosure?

Explain:

#### **Public Website**

Does your company maintain a public website describing all hearing aid-compatible models, the ratings of those models, and an explanation of the rating system? Yes

Website address: www.hbci.com

Explain:

#### **Consumer Outreach**

Describe consumer outreach efforts in the past 12 months: HBC does maintain a public website listing its entire selection of handsets and devices including those that are HAC compliant. Staff is trained to assist customers. HBC is no longer engaging in active retail selling of mobile services or handsets except phones that we have left in inventory.

## **Methodology for Functionality Levels**

The limited phones in inventory are HAC compliant. The price levels low cost (less than \$125); moderate cost (\$146 to \$192); high end feature rich; (greater than \$250)

#### **Report Remarks**

You have reported the following handset model summary information.

Total number of handsets offered: 4

Air Interface	Fully Hearing Aid Compatible Number Percent	Acoustic Coupling Compatible Only Number Percent	Non-Compliant Handsets Number Percent	Total by Air Interface
CDMA	4 100%			4

# Handset 1: Apple IPhone 4 16GB

## **Handset Maker**

Apple

Handset Model Name FCC ID

IPhone 4 16GB BCG-E2422A

# Air Interfaces/Frequency Bands

1900 MHz CDMA

#### **Dates**

This handset model was offered from: 01/14 to 07/14

## **Ratings**

M-Rating: M4

T-Rating: T4

Did this handset meet the criteria for an M3 rating for operations over GSM at 1900 MHz by enabling the user optionally to reduce the maximum power at which the handset will operate by no more than 2.5 decibels, except for emergency calls to 911?

# **Functionality Level**

HIGH END FEATURE RICH

#### Remarks

# **Handset 2: HTC Rhyme**

## **Handset Maker**

HTC

Handset Model Name FCC ID

Rhyme NM8PI46110

# Air Interfaces/Frequency Bands

1900 MHz CDMA

# **Dates**

This handset model was offered from: 01/14 to 12/14

# **Ratings**

M-Rating: M4 T-Rating: T4

Did this handset meet the criteria for an M3 rating for operations over GSM at 1900 MHz by enabling the user optionally to reduce the maximum power at which the handset will operate by no more than 2.5 decibels, except for emergency calls to 911?

# **Functionality Level**

HIGH END FEATURE RICH

#### Remarks

# Handset 3: LG LG-VN251

#### **Handset Maker**

LG

Handset Model Name FCC ID

LG-VN251 BEJVN251

## Air Interfaces/Frequency Bands

1900 MHz CDMA

#### **Dates**

This handset model was offered from: 01/14 to 12/14

## **Ratings**

M-Rating: M4

T-Rating: T4

Did this handset meet the criteria for an M3 rating for operations over GSM at 1900 MHz by enabling the user optionally to reduce the maximum power at which the handset will operate by no more than 2.5 decibels, except for emergency calls to 911?

# **Functionality Level**

MODERATE COST

## Remarks

# Handset 4: Samsung SCH-u660 Convoy2

#### **Handset Maker**

Samsung

Handset Model Name FCC ID

SCH-u660 Convoy2 A3LSCHU660

# Air Interfaces/Frequency Bands

## 1900 MHz CDMA

## **Dates**

This handset model was offered from: 01/14 to 12/14

# **Ratings**

M-Rating: M4

T-Rating: T4

Did this handset meet the criteria for an M3 rating for operations over GSM at 1900 MHz by enabling the user optionally to reduce the maximum power at which the handset will operate by no more than 2.5 decibels, except for emergency calls to 911?

# **Functionality Level**

MODERATE COST

#### Remarks

# Certification

# This Report has been certified by:

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